

The regular meeting of the Tippecanoe County Drainage Board met in the County Council Room in the Tippecanoe County Court House at 9:00 a.m. o'clock with the following members present:

Bruce Osborn, Robert F. Fields, Edward Shaw, Fred Hoffman, A. D. Ruth, Jr. and Gladys Ridder.

Minutes Approved

Upon motion of Bruce Osborn, seconded by Edward Shaw and made unanimous by Robert Fields the Board accepted the minutes of the June 5, 1974 meeting as read.

McFarland Ditch

Mr. Ruth explained to the Board that Charles Vaughan had been in to discuss the possibility of having a branch of the John McFarland ditch reconstructed. Mr. Vaughan has need of an open ditch and the Board told the Engineer to hold an informal meeting to get the feelings of the other people involved and if there were no objections from others to prepare the profile.

9:30 a.m.
Vacation of the
N. W. Bowen Ditch

The Engineer opened the hearing on the Nathaniel W. Bowen ditch by explaining to the Board the condition of the ditch and the feeling of the people involved. No one attended the hearing but at the last hearing on this ditch the people present made it known that they wanted the ditch vacated. The attorney said with out all the land owners being present the Board would have to go through the formalities and re-inform everybody in the watershed of the intent. With no one attending they took the attitude that all were in favor and so moved. Motion by Edward Shaw, seconded by Bruce Osborn and made unanimous by Robert Fields the Nathaniel W. Bowen ditch was vacated. This should not be confused with the N. W. Bowen ditch that was vacated in November of 1973. This one involves Carroll County and Tippecanoe County and the one vacated in November was a Tippecanoe County Ditch only.

John Fisher
for
Montgomery Ward

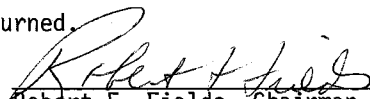
Mr. Gene Stano and Mr. John Fisher came before the Board with many problems they have had and several suggestions for re-routing the Branch No. 14 of the Elliott Ditch which has a Montgomery Ward warehouse built directly over it. The Board had granted August 1, 1974 as the deadline for re-routing the ditch. They would take the \$6,000.00 check and build the new ditch themselves if the deadline was not met. Mr. Stano asked for an extension of time for that deadline and the Board granted them thirty days. Those involved in the re-routing would be Fairfield Mfg. Co., Montgomery Ward and perhaps Robert Calloway.

Informal
reconstruction
hearing
Shepherdson Ditch

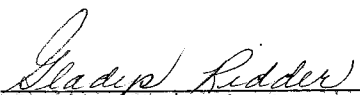
At 10:30 a.m. the Board held an informal reconstruction hearing on the James A. Shepherdson ditch. Those present were Floyd Bolyard, Jr., Fern Landes, Bernard and Mary Spitznagle, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Ayers, John E. Haan and Margaret Cornell.


All present were much in favor of reconstruction but there were some reservations as to the open ditch but would need a grassed waterway over the new tile ditch and the Board said that would be his expense. Mr. Ruth said he would figure the new construction two ways, with and without open ditch, and at the Regular hearing in September he would give them prices and the decision could be theirs.

On motion made and carried the meeting adjourned.


Robert F. Fields, Chairman


Bruce Osborn, Vice Chairman


Gladys Ridder, Exe. Secretary


Edward J. Shaw, Member